[29th January 1931

Lathi charge by the police at Peddapuram.

* 184-C Q.—Mr. K. Koti Reddi: Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state with reference to the police lathi charge at Peddapuram on 21st December 1930—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that one Dr. U. Gopalakrishnayya, B.A., M.D., of Cocanada was one of those who attended the garden party;

(*b*) whether it is a fact that he arrived at the garden after the lathi charge had been made;

(*c*) whether it is a fact that he was permitted by an Anglo-Indian sergeant at the entrance of the garden, to go and render first aid to those injured; and

(*d*) whether it is a fact that subsequently he was also given lathi blows by the Circle Inspector of Police of Pittapuram, Mr. Subba Rao, and constables on various parts of his body?

A.—(*a*) An Ayurvedic physician named U. Gopalakrishnayya is reported to have been one of those who attended the so-called garden party.

(*b*) No; he was there before the police arrived.

(*c*) Does not arise.

(*d*) No. If Mr. Gopalakrishnayya received any injuries, it must have been in the course of the dispersal of the unlawful assembly.

Alleged lathi charge on a picnic party at Peddapuram.

* 184-D Q.—Mr. Basheer Ahmed Sayeed: Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that a picnic party of citizens at Peddapur was attacked by the police with lathis on the 21st of December 1930;

(*b*) what were the reasons for such lathi charge;

(*c*) what were the casualties in the said incident; how many received serious injuries; and

(*d*) how many were rendered medical aid and how many removed to the hospital by the authorities?

A.—(*a*) & (*b*) The hon. Member is referred to the answer to clauses (*a*) and (*b*) of question No. 230.

(*c*) The hon Member is referred to the answer to clauses (*h*) to (*j*) of question No. 184-B.

(*d*) None, because none who received injury was left on the ground.

Assault on doctors who rendered first aid to the victims of the Peddapur lathi charge.

* 184-E Q.—Mr. Basheer Ahmed Sayeed: Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that even medical men who went to render first aid to the victims of the Peddapur lathi charge were assaulted and injured by the police; and

(*b*) if so, how many such men were injured and what is their present condition and what were the reasons for such attacks on medical men?

A.—(*a*) No medical man went to render first aid.

(*b*) Does not arise.